IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

in re application of:)
	Ryuzo Iga et al.)
Serial No:	10/577,626)
Filing Date:	April 28, 2006) Art Uni) 2828
For:	SEMICONDUCTOR OPTICAL DEVICE AND A METHOD OF FABRICATING THE SAME)))
Confirmation No.:	9935)
Examiner:	Patrick Stafford)

AMENDMENT "B" AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Examiner:

Applicant submits this paper in response to the Final Office Action mailed February 4, 2009 and in conjunction with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks:

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Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

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